Subject No. 89.

Excise officials to be made subordinate to Deputy Commissioners & Amildars.

Mr. Amble Annaiah Pandit.

Summary of discussion.—Excise Divisional Assistant Commissioners appointed to districts should, under the orders of the Deputy Commissioners, decide what groves should be reserved for Excise purposes and what should be given out for cultivation so that wet and garden cultivation may be increased. Excise Supervisors and Toddy Inspectors should likewise be made subordinate to Amildars to facilitate Government work. Mr. Annaiya Pandit added that in his opinion a whole-time Excise Assistant for two Districts as at present was unnecessary, and that it would be better to have one Excise Assistant Commissioner for each District, who could also do additional work of other Departments.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 90.

Commission to Patels on tree-tax.

r. Linge Gowda, Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Patels may be paid some commission on the tree tax realized in their villages.

Reply of Government.—Noted for favorable consideration.

Subject No. 91.

Poppy cultivation.

Messrs. D. Srikanta Rao of Devanhalli Ramachandrappa and Arunachala Sastri.

Summary of discussion.—The restriction imposed upon poppy cultivation should be removed and its cultivation allowed as in the case of *ganja*. Lakhs of rupees have been lost owing to the restriction.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

LOCAL FUNDS AND MUNICIPAL.

Subject No. 92.

Constitution of Municipal and Local Fund Boards.

Mr. M. K. Krishna Murti Rao of Magadi and Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya of Mysore.

Summary of discussion.— (*a*) All the taluks of a district are not represented on District Fund Boards. The privilege allowed to some taluks should be extended to others also.

(*b*) Representative Assembly Members for Local Fund Boards should be elected for a period of 3 years, and the tenure of Municipal Members should be extended to 3 or at least 2 years.

Reply of Government.—All this will be dealt with in connection with the Rules to be framed under the Local Boards Regulation.

Subject No. 93.

Utilization of Local Funds.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao of Nagar Sabha, K. Devappa and K. Hallappa of Sagar Taluk, and Ramnarsiah of Mandya Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The Local Funds levied from each taluk should be utilized in that taluk as far as possible.

(*b*) Local cess realizations from Inam villages should be spent on works of utility in those villages themselves.

Reply of Government.—Reasonable needs of localities will receive favourable consideration. But villagewar distribution of funds is impossible.

Subject No. 94.

Transfer of Village Mohatarfa revenue to District Funds.

Mr. K. Ramanna, L. F. Member.

Summary of discussion.—Owing to paucity of funds, the District Fund Board cannot afford to make adequate provision for the execution of needful sanitary works and for sinking drinking water wells in rural parts. Government are therefore requested to kindly make over to the District Fund Board the whole of the Mohatarfa revenue collected in villages to enable the Board to attend to such works.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.